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## GERMANY PROMISES AUSTRIA HER AID

### YOUNGSTER DIES IN AGONY

Parent Pours Boiling Water on 2-Year-Old Infant by Accident

LITTLE ONE'S SUFFERING LASTS FOR THREE HOURS

Father Tries to Commit Suicide When He Sees What He Has Done

Driven temporarily insane through the belief that by his hand his little two-year-old son met with a horrible death, E. C. Miller, a former Philippine Insular Government employe, a through passenger in the Pacific Mail liner Korea, was under constant surveillance of officers to prevent the crazed parent from attempting to take his own life.

Master John Miller, a little lad who became an instant favorite with the passengers in the Pacific Mailer from the time the vessel sailed from Hong Kong, China, until his tragic death, but a few days before the Korea arrived at Honolulu, was the victim of a horrible mistake of a well-meaning and loving parent, which resulted in the child dying from coming in contact with a deluge of scalding and boiling water.

It was in a bathroom in the Korea that the tragedy occurred, that may result in the father becoming bereft of his reason.

The child had been taken to the apartment for a bath. A Chinese room steward had been dispatched for some warm water. The servant returned with a large pitcher containing what the father was led to believe was lukewarm water but not scalding hot water.

From stories told by passengers in the vessel, an arrival yesterday afternoon, it is said that the father asked the Chinese boy if the water was right for the bath. Being assured that it was of the correct temperature, it is alleged that Miller, without personally testing the degree of heat, set the child in the bathtub, and lifting the container, poured the boiling contents over the body of the little fellow.

One warning shriek from the child, followed by his falling to the bottom of the tub in a dead faint, brought the father to an instant realization that something was wrong.

Dr. McAllister, surgeon on the Korea, was immediately summoned. He

### SCIENTISTS TO ROAST ON DESERT ISLE

Four of them Will Accompany Governor Frear and Attorney General Lindsay to Island in Mid-Pacific and Will Remain There Four Months

Foregoing the cheer of the Christmas and New Year season—except such as they may take with them—Governor Frear, Attorney General Lindsay and four scientists from the department of agriculture probably will sail out of Honolulu harbor the latter part of this week on the revenue cutter Thetis for the Midway and Laysan islands.

The Governor and attorney general may be gone a month, returning about the middle of January, but the four enthusiastic men of science go to Laysan equipped with provisions for a four months' stay, where they will make a thorough and exhaustive study of the tropical flora and fauna. The expression "exhaustive study" is here used advisedly.

It is understood these scientists, whose names as yet are not known locally, will remain on the little Laysan island cut off and separated by hundreds of miles of sea from civilization. They are going prepared to undergo some hardships, not the least of which, according to a local authority, will be the lack of ice.

In the mild, sensuous air of the semi-tropical region around Midway, the Governor and attorney general, undisturbed by social amenities and interruptions of official callers, will hold long discussions, break fast in the warm sun and sleep long nights on the problems of government and proposed legislation which are to be taken up at the approaching session of the territorial legislature. They expect to return refreshed, invigorated and ready to plunge into the mass of work awaiting them at rather, the Governor does.

Lindsay returns to face the problem of drumming up the law practice he surrendered when he went into his present office, which he gives up to his successor, Wade Warren Thayer, the first of January.

The Democratic territorial central committee at a meeting last night adopted a resolution protesting against the reappointment of Governor Frear, and cablegrams have been sent to Democratic leaders in the senate to that effect, asking that the senate hold up the confirmation of the governor until a report of the action of the local committee and its reasons therefor is received by mail.

### Fleeing From The Wrath of Brutal Turkish Soldiery



The movement of the soldiers in the Balkan war has been hampered of late by the frightful condition of the roads, in places waist deep in sticky mud. Through this mud the Christian refugees, assailed by the Muslim troops are compelled to flee, fearing each moment that the Turks will again break out upon them to slay and destroy. They are without food, almost naked and exposed to the bitter winds of advancing winter, and winter in the Balkans is pretty much like winter in the Canadian Rockies.

### LOW HAS SCHEME TO PREVENT DEFICIT

Mayor Fern holds the financial fate of the present board of supervisors in his hands, according to the outlook today.

If he takes his pen in hand and signs some resolutions recently passed by the board appropriating several thousand dollars for public improvements, the board will be "stuck" or the city will be stuck—with a deficit of some \$6,000.

If the mayor does not take his pen in hand and does not sign these resolutions, the board can probably squeeze through and have a few dollars left in the treasury, though virtually the municipal war-chest will be as empty as Old Mother Hubbard's proverbial sideboard. Although the board has passed the appropriations, its recent discoveries in the realms of finance, aided by Chairman Low of the ways and means committee and City Auditor Becknell, have shown that there is no money to carry out the resolutions, and now the board, or Chairman Low at least, sees a way out of the dilemma. This way out is for Mayor Fern to withhold his signature from the appropriations.

"While it is true that the city has \$33,000 in school funds, or at least this amount of tax money set aside for school purposes, and which is now handled by the Territory, that is a long way from actually having it in our treasury," said Chairman Low this morning. "The talk about carrying the matter into the courts is all right, but there is no assurance that the city can get this money from the Territory, and if we don't get it, we have a deficit of \$6,000, caused by these appropriations in recent resolutions which are not yet signed by the mayor. I believe that the mayor will withhold his signature, in which case we will have money enough, with some unexpended balances, to get through the year with. But we won't have anything to leave to the next board."

According to Supervisor Low, the board has been misled in its appropriations by some discrepancies in its figures and those of the tax office. "We understood that we could get about \$50,000 from the tax office," he said today, "when as a matter of fact we got only \$41,000. The trouble with the plan of this and other boards has been that we have been appropriating on an anticipated basis. We didn't know exactly how much money we were going to have, and that policy threw us off on the wrong scent."

The new board, to my mind, ought to wait until it hears from the new tax valuations before making new appropriations. The new tax law is hard to figure on, anyway, and the board ought to wait until after January 31, when it knows just what its share of the taxes is to be.

### MARQUIS MATSUGATA WON'T TAKE JAPAN PREMIERSHIP

Report of H's Acceptance Denied in Cablegram to Nippon Jiji Here Today

Marquis Masayoshi Matsugata, twice premier of Japan, has definitely refused to accept the premiership, a third time, to succeed Saionji, according to a special cablegram received this morning by the Nippon Jiji.

The Advertiser's Wireless service last night carried a story to the effect that Matsugata had accepted the premiership, but this is denied in a special cablegram from Tokyo today to the Japanese paper. The cablegram is as follows:

TOKIO, Japan, Dec. 10.—Marquis Masayoshi Matsugata, ignoring the urgent request on the part of Prince Oyama, Marquis Inouye and other "genros," or elder statesmen, declined today positively to accept the premiership which is rendered vacant by the resignation of Marquis Kinmochi Saionji, and the political situation in Japan's capital is as serious as ever.

### PLAN TO RAISE CITY LABOR TO \$2 A DAY

Two dollars a day for each city and county laborer on general work is the idea that has been talked over by some of the newly-elected members of the board of supervisors, according to an authoritative report this morning. It appears that certain members of the board have been casting about to see how the city finances would stand the strain.

City officials who have heard indirectly that this plan is proposed are not slow in declaring it an open bid for political support, and see in the scheme another move to "Tammany-ize Honolulu." One of them said today that the Democrats want to get all the day-laborers into line and that this latest deal is looked upon as certain to make hundreds of votes among the laborers and the applicants for city and county jobs.



MARQUIS MATSUGATA

Who has thrice refused a premiership hope that the marquis might be induced to accept the premiership, he declined to do so, voicing his final refusal today.

### FINISH MAHUKA TRIAL BEFORE CONGRESS QUITS

Despite the approach of the annual holiday season U. S. District Attorney R. W. Breckons will endeavor to hurry through the two final hearings in the Mahuka federal site condemnation case, finishing them some time in January so that the appropriation bill for the purchase of the property may go before congress during the short session.

It is generally felt that if the appropriation is to be obtained for this project it must be disposed of before the end of the short session, which closes March 4. After that date the new congress, controlled by the Democrats, is expected to take up tariff questions, and appropriations for buildings encouraged by the old administration are likely to receive little consideration.

### KAISER AND OLDER MONARCH CONFER

Report That Franz Josef And Emperor Wilhelm Have Reached Agreement Current In Vienna And Berlin-- Assurance Of Support Of Vaterland Believed Behind Move Of Austria In Seizing Supply Ship

### Greece After Her Old Possessions

Papers of Athens Assert Without Hesitancy That Hellenes Are Entitled to the Lion's Share of the Spoils in the War and That Their Government Will Undoubtedly Claim It

[Special to Star-Bulletin]  
LONDON, England, Dec. 10.—Dispatches to afternoon papers here assert that both Berlin and Vienna have heard that the Kaiser and the old Emperor, Franz Josef of Austria, have reached an agreement whereby the German army is placed at the back of the Austrian forces in case of war over the difficulties which have arisen between the Dual-Monarchy and the little Kingdom of Serbia.

It is reported that the two monarchs have been in secret communication with each other over this question and it is held that but for the assurance which he had received from Berlin the Emperor would not have authorized the capture of the Serbian supply ships, which started the world yesterday afternoon.

The mobilization of the Austrian troops on the Serb frontier continues and the animosity of Belgrade is reported as increasing. It needs but the flare of a match to set the whole pile blazing.

TURKEY'S TERMS DEFINED  
LONDON, ENGLAND, Dec. 10.—Papers printed here declare today that the terms upon which the Turks will submit to the declaration of peace between the Empire and the allies will be, the renunciation of the land captured by the allies and all matters of crown lands in European Turkey shall continue as heretofore in the hands of the Porte. The terms will also demand that Adrianople shall continue in the control of Turkey. Upon these terms only will the Ottoman accord to peace.

It is believed that the allies will spurn such terms and that the war will break out again after the end of the armistice.

### GREECE WANTS LION'S SHARE

ATHENS, GREECE, Dec. 10.—The papers here are demanding that the government ask for the larger share of the spoils which may come to the allies in the way of territory from the war with Turkey. It is held that Greece has suffered most from the Turk, and that she has the best claim to the islands which the Ottomans have been controlling for centuries. Among the islands which it is believed that Greece will claim is that ancient bone of contention, Crete. Others in the seas around Greece will also be demanded when the time comes to divide the spoils.

### Teddy On The Rampage Again

[Associated Press Cable]  
CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 10.—Theodore Roosevelt is again in the center of things today. In an impassioned address made before the Bull Moose convention here he asserted that the Progressive party has come to stay, that it fills a long-felt want of the people of the United States, takes a place that both of the older parties have vacated, and that it will never affiliate with the old Republican party.

This brought round after round of cheering from his hearers, but the Colonel did not stop there. He again took up the election decision of the Idaho courts and bitterly assailed the law and justice of the finding.

By a strange coincidence, while he was speaking the news that the Supreme Court of Idaho had sustained the lower courts and had ruled that the publication of Mr. Roosevelt's attack constituted contempt of court reached the convention hall. Under this Supreme Court ruling editors printing any statement from Roosevelt or other sources anent the decision will be held subject to trial for contempt of court.

### Still Hope For Compromise

[Associated Press Cable]  
MANCHESTER, England, Dec. 10.—The Press of this city, in commenting upon the Panama canal toll tangle, says today that, inasmuch as President-elect Wilson is not committed to any course of policy it is hopeful of having the difficulty settled by an appeal to arbitration. It also refers to Senator Root's address in which the New York senator called upon his fellow countrymen to yield the entire problem to arbitration.

### Battleship Sinks Steamer

[Associated Press Cable]  
DEVONPORT, ENGLAND, Dec. 10.—The battleship Centurion, wireless in today that late last night she was in collision with an unknown steamer and sank that vessel. It is believed that all hands went down with the merchantman, although the Centurion's dispatch did not state definitely. The battleship is reported to be badly hurt and limping into port.

### May Recognize China's Claims

[Associated Press Cable]  
PORTLAND, Oregon, Dec. 10.—In a letter to the Chamber of Commerce here, Secretary of State Knox intimates that the Government at Washington is but waiting for the next elections in China before recognizing the new republic.

### To Make Goethals General

[Special Star-Bulletin Cable]  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The bill making Col. Goethals, in charge of the construction of the Panama Canal major general in the army has been introduced in the Senate today.

### Old Friends Meet In Auto Mishap On Volcano Road

Car Turns Turtle but Luck Saves Four Tourists from Terrible Accident

An automobile accident, a miraculous escape from death and, as a result of both, the meeting of old friends two thousand miles from their homes, is the story brought back from Hawaii this morning by passengers arriving on the Mauna Kea. The story reads like fiction, but that it is not fiction will be attested by a dozen people who participated last Sunday morning in what might have been a horrible disaster.

Three miles from the Volcano House, up the long and narrow road that leads from Hills to the ever-burning crater of Kilauaea, two machines, speeding in opposite directions, came to a sharp curve at the same instant. One was a big ten-seater car that carries tourists for the Volcano Stables Company, the other car, a lighter and smaller car belonging to the same company. In the big car, going up to the volcano, was a party that included Dr. and Mrs. Ray D. Robinson of Los Angeles.

The big car reached the curve a fraction of a second before the light

car that was flying down the road. Both drivers jammed to their right, and the big car, clearing the curve, slid past the smaller machine, and went up the road in safety.

The smaller car was so close on the curve and the distance between the autos was so slight that the driver, Meinecke, could not throw his machine back on the road in time, and besides, the little car was carrying five people. The auto skidded for an instant, hung on the edge of the road, and then went over a three-foot bank, turning turtle.

The upset occurred within five seconds of the time the two machines met. The little car had hardly stopped rolling when the passengers of the other jumped out and raced back to the scene of the mishap. Several men put their shoulders against the car and lifted it and one by one, the disheveled passengers began crawling out. The driver had been thrown from his seat into the ferns by the roadside and blood was spurting from an ugly gash just below his left knee.

Two women came out from under the car first, then a man and then another man. Then Dr. Robinson, who had been helping lift the car, looked at the first man who had crawled out and the first man looked at him.

"For God's sake! You here!" cried Robinson.

"For the love of—You here, Doc!" said the other man.

He was Andrew J. Copp, Jr., of Los

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